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Rotors Thereof

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The cited reference, JP-A-6-108983, describes a contact type screw refrigerator in which both rotors are rotated in contact with each other. The screw compressor of the present invention is a non-contact type screw compressor in which both rotors are rotated with a gap there between by means of timing gears fixed at one ends of the rotor shafts. The concave stripes of the present invention provided for increasing air resistance has nothing to do with the refrigerant liquid filing holes 29 of JP-A-6-108983.

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